

## **Table 1 - Information**

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Scott Rolph Qualification: Ecologists
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	24/05/2023
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Access Track 5023-5024 – revised alignment between Towers 76-77
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area informed by previous in field visual inspections (across multiple dates) by ecologists for the proposed disturbance area(s).
Work Package ID	L5 Ecology – Pre-clearance surveys

## Table 2 - Pre-Clearance Survey Details

Infrastructure Surveyed					
Tower Footprint			ntreline		
Break and Winch Site	□ Parl		Parking Areas		
Access Track (existing)		☐ Access Track (new)		)	$\boxtimes$
Disturbance Area B		Otl	Other		
Details of Other:					
Protected Matters					
Item	Presence l	dentified		Comments	
	Yes	No	Clear (Ha)		
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland <sup>12</sup>					
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			



Habitat for A spear-grass (austrostipa metatoris) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$					
Habitat for A spear-grass (austrostipa wakoolica) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$					
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$					
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$					
Habitat for A burr-daisy <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$					
Habitat for Winged Peppercross <sup>1</sup>		$\boxtimes$					
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$					
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$					
Habitat for Yellow Swainson-pea <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$					
Habitat for Plains Wanderer <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$					
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) 12		$\boxtimes$					
Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>			0.01ha		Assumed species polygon		
Notes:  1 Protected matter listed within the Notification of Approval EnergyConnect NSW – Eastern Section (EPBC 2020/8766)  2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (August 2022)							
Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:							
<ul> <li>Total of 0.02 ha of the Endangered BC Act-listed TEC 'Inland Grey Box Woodland in the Riverina, NSW South Western Slopes, Cobar Peneplain, Nandewar and Brigalow Belt South Bioregions" identified within the impact area.</li> <li>Exclusion Zones to be installed to restrict access to protected matters outside the construction footprint.</li> <li>No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be completed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.</li> </ul>							
Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees							
Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes □	No ⊠	Co	mmen	ts:		
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes □	No ⊠	Co	mmen	ts:		
Nest boxes required?	Yes □	No ⊠	Co	mmen	ts:		
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes □	No ⊠	Co	mmen	ts:		
Weeds							

Yes □

Yes □

Yes ⊠

Details:

Details:

Community identified

Details: BC Act Threatened Ecological

No ⊠

No ⊠

No □

Were any Weeds of National Significance

or Priority Weeds identified?

Disturbance Area B?

**Environmental Exclusion Zones** 

Threatened Species Identified within

Environmental exclusion zones required?



Unexpected Finds			
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:

## **Additional Comments**

- Ecologist not required for clearing activities
- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan
- Additional weeds: Burr Medic (*Medicago polymorpha*), Knotweed (*Polygonum aviculare*), Flaxleaf Fleabane (*Erigeron bonariensis*), Spear Thistle (*Cirsium vulgare*), Stink-grass (*Eragrostis cilianensis*), Paddy Melon (*Cucumis myriocarpus*), Toowoomba Canary Grass (*Phalaris aquatica*), Bathurst Burr (*Xanthium spinosum*), Prickly Lettuce (*Lactuca serriola*), Black Nightshade (*Solanum nigrum*).

## Table 3 - Pre-Clearance Approval

Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 months
Name	Scott Rolph
Signature	Sultage
Date	24/05/2023
SecureEnergy	
Name	Sarah Klocke
Position	Deputy Environment Manager
Signature	Sarah Xlocke
Date	27/05/2024



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Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Scott Rolph Qualification: Ecologist
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	24/05/2025
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Access Track 5057 – 5058 – revised alignment between Towers 176-180)
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area  In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed disturbance area
Work Package ID	L5 Ecology – Pre-clearance surveys

## Table 2 - Pre-Clearance Survey Details

Infrastructure Surveyed					
Tower Footprint	□ Cei		ntreline		
Break and Winch Site	□ Parkir		rking Areas	king Areas	
Access Track (existing)		Ac	cess Track (new	)	$\boxtimes$
Disturbance Area B		Oti	Other		
Details of Other:					
Protected Matters					
Item	Presence l	Identified		Comments	
	Yes	No	Clear (Ha)		
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland <sup>12</sup>					
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Weeping Myall Woodlands 12		$\boxtimes$			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>		×			
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>					



Habitat for A spear-grass (austrostipa metatoris) <sup>2</sup>				
Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa</i> wakoolica) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for A burr-daisy <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Winged Peppercross <sup>1</sup>				
Habitat for Chariot Wheels 12				
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>12</sup>				
Habitat for Yellow Swainson-pea <sup>2</sup>				
Habitat for Plains Wanderer <sup>12</sup>				
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$		0.01 ha	Assumed species
Notes: 1 Protected matter listed within the Notification 2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Bio				
Management measures required to avo	oid or minii	nise impa	cts to Protect	ted Matters:
<ul> <li>No additional mitigation measure approved Biodiversity Managem</li> </ul>		Clearing v	vorks to be cor	npleted in accordance with the
Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees				
Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes □	No [		
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes □			ts:
		No 🏻		
Nest boxes required?	Yes □			its:
Nest boxes required?  Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes □ Yes ⊠	No [	<ul><li>✓ Commer</li><li>☐ Commer reptile ar</li></ul>	its:
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Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:

## **Additional Comments**

- Ecologist to be present for ground stripping activities.
- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.
- Additional weed species: Flaxleaf Fleabane (*Erigeron bonariensis*), Spear Thistle (*Cirsium vulgare*), Sow Thistle (*Sonchus oleraceus*), Soursob (*Oxalis pes-caprae*), Bathurst Burr (*Xanthium spinosum*), Barley Grass (*Hordeum* sp.), Paterson's Curse (*Echium plantagineum*), Capeweed (*Arctotheca calendula*), Variegated Thistle (*Silybum marianum*) Rye-grass (*Lolium* sp.), Shepherd's Purse (*Capsella bursa-pastoris*), Horehound (*Marrubium vulgare*), Onion Weed (*Asphodelus fistulosus*), Wild Oat (*Avena* sp.), *Lepidium* sp., Burr Medic (*Medicago polymorpha*), Witchgrass (*Panicum capillare*), Paddy Melon (*Cucumis myriocarpus*), Common Thorn-apple (*Datura stramonium*), St Barnaby's Thistle (*Centaurea solstitialis*), Knotweed (*Polygonum aviculare*), Galvanized Burr (*Sclerolaena birchii*), Wall Barley (*Hordeum leporinum*).

#### Table 3 - Pre-Clearance Approval

Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 months
Name	Scott Rolph
Signature	Southlagh
Date	24/05/2024
SecureEnergy	
Name	Sarah Klocke
Position	Deputy Environment Manager
Signature	Sarah Klocke
Date	27/05/2024



## **Table 1 - Information**

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Scott Rolph Qualification: Ecologists
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	10/04/2024
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Access Track 5072-5078 (revised location Tower 209-214)
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area  In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed disturbance area.
Work Package ID	L5 Ecology – Pre-clearance surveys

## Table 2 - Pre-Clearance Survey Details

Infrastructure Surveyed					
Tower Footprint		Ce	ntreline		
Break and Winch Site		Pai	rking Areas		
Access Track (existing)		Aco	cess Track (new)		$\boxtimes$
Disturbance Area B		Oth	ner		
Details of Other:					
Protected Matters					
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	Yes	No	Clear (Ha)		
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland <sup>12</sup>			0.12 ha	EPBC Act-listed Ecological Com	
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>12</sup>		×			
Weeping Myall Woodlands 12		$\boxtimes$			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
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Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>		×			



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Notes:  1 Protected matter listed within the Notification of Approval EnergyConnect NSW – Eastern Section (EPBC 2020/8766)  2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (August 2022)						
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**Unexpected Finds** 



Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:

## **Additional Comments**

- Exclusion zones to be installed prior to construction works commencing.
- Ecologist required for clearing activities.
- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.
- Additional weed species: Spear Thistle (*Cirsium vulgare*), Paterson's Curse (*Echium plantagineum*), Flaxleaf Fleabane (*Erigeron bonariensis*), Black Nightshade (*Solanum nigrum*), Horehound (*Marrubium vulgare*).

#### Table 3 - Pre-Clearance Approval

Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 months
Name	Scott Rolph
Signature	Sultage
Date	24/05/2024
SecureEnergy	
Name	Sarah Klocke
Position	Deputy Environment Manager
Signature	Sarah Klocke
Date	27/05/2024